Appendix L: Special Recreation Permit Classification System

Classification of Permits

Evaluation Factors:

Size of the area under exclusive use by the applicant.

Small < 1 acre

Medium 1 acre to 100 acres

Large > 100 acres

Time period for exclusive use by the applicant.

Trivial one day or less
Short two to six days
Long one week or greater

Buffer needed to protect other users from potential effects

None no buffer required Small < 0.25 mile buffer Large > 0.25 mile buffer

Potential Environmental Effects

Trivial Effects of a temporary nature and surface disturbance less than 0.1 acres Low Effects of a temporary nature and surface disturbance less than 0.5 acres Other Effects longer than one year or surface disturbance greater than 0.5 acre

Anticipated numbers of participants or vehicles

	Participants	Vehicles <30	
Low	< 50		
Medium	51 to 1000	31 to 50	
High	> 1000	>50	

Oversight requirements (includes cleanup inspections, LE activities)

None No post permit compliance actions required Low Post permit activities require < 4 hours of BLM oversight

High Post permit activities require > 4 hours of BLM oversight

Mechanical Equipment Required?

- Y Vehicles or other mechanical equipment required.
- No vehicles or other mechanical equipment required.

Classification Matrix Black Rock-High Rock NCA Permits

(Special Recreation Permits, Film Permits and other temporary Land Use Permits)

Evaluation Factors		Permit Class			
		ı	II	III	IV
Size		Small	Small/Medium	Medium	Large
Time		Trivial	Trivial/Short	Short	Long
Buffer Size		None	None	Medium	High
Environmental Effects		Trivial	Trivial	Low	Other
Anticipated Numbers	Users	Low	Low/Medium	Medium	High
	Vehicles	N/A	Low	Medium	High
Oversight		None	None/Low	Low	High
Mechanical Equipment		N	N or Y	Y	Y
Examples		NOLS, wilderness outfitting	Outfitting, small tours, land sailing, film permits	Golf tournament, most rocket events, large tours	Large Rocket launches, Land speed trials, Burning Man